

He was initially assigned to a Helicopter Combat Squadron and flew an H-46D helicopter aboard the USS *White Plains* (AFS-4), USS *Midway* (CV-41), and USS *Niagara Falls* (AFS-3) in the Pacific and Indian Oceans. In 1980, Commander Burd received his Masters Degree in Aeronautical Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School. He also attended the Defense Systems Management College where he issued over 2,200 individual engineering safety clearances for almost every aircraft and aviation weapon system in the Navy and Marine Corps inventory, in addition to the prototype and classified systems successfully employed during Desert Storm. While aboard the USS *Shasta* (AE-33), he demonstrated true heroism by helping to save an aircraft from a ditching situation. By 1984, he was appointed as an Aeronautical Engineering Duty Officer, yet he still found the time to volunteer as a Detachment Officer in Charge of a helicopter deployment aboard USS *Flint* (AE-32).

Commander Burd continued to advance his career in the Navy when he was promoted to the position of Project Officer for the Presidential Helicopter Program and qualified as Aircraft Commander in the CH-53A. Eventually, he became the Vertical Flight Program Director for the Naval Air Development Center in Warminster, Pennsylvania.

After returning to San Diego in 1994, he became the Helicopter Class Desk Officer for COMNAVAIRPAC. Commander Burd now had the enormous responsibility of being in charge of more than 700 Navy and Marine Helicopters stationed throughout the Pacific Fleet. He continued to excel in his career and by 1994 he was designated as the first 3.3 Technical Data Department Head of the Naval Aviation Systems TEAM.

Incredibly, Commander Burd's personal awards are as impressive as his career's track record. He has been honored with the Meritorious Service Medal along with two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals. He also received four separate citations for various at sea rescues and emergency recoveries while piloting both H-46 and H-53 helicopters.

I am more than honored to join Commander Burd's wife, Nancy and his son, Andy, in congratulating him for a job well done. He is an American hero who was dedicated his life to his family and community, as well as preserving the safety of our nation. I wish him the best of luck in the endeavors that follow his retirement.

#### WORLD POPULATION AWARENESS WEEK

### HON. MARTIN OLAV SABO

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 7, 1998*

Mr. SABO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call World Population Awareness Week 1998 to the attention of my colleagues.

October 25-31, 1998 marks the 13th annual celebration of World Population Awareness Week. More than 300 family planning, environmental educational, community and service organizations in 61 countries are co-sponsoring the week in an effort to raise awareness of the need or universal voluntary family planning.

I commend to the attention of my colleagues the following proclamation, made by the Gov-

ernor of Minnesota, the Honorable Arne H. Carlson:

#### WORLD POPULATION AWARENESS WEEK PROCLAMATION-1998

Whereas world population stands today at more than 5.9 billion and increases by more than 80 million per year, with virtually all of this growth in the least developed countries;

Whereas the consequences of rapid population growth are not limited to the developing world, but extend to all nations and to all people, including every citizen of the State of Minnesota concerned for human dignity, freedom and democracy, as well as for the impact on the global economy;

Whereas 1.3 billion people—more than the combined population of Europe and North Africa—live in absolute poverty on the equivalent of one U.S. dollar or less a day;

Whereas 1.5 billion people—nearly one-quarter of the world population—lack an adequate supply of clean drinking water or sanitation;

Whereas more than 840 million people—one-fifth of the entire population of the developing world—are hungry or malnourished;

Whereas demographic studies and surveys indicate that at least 120 million married women in the developing world—and a large but undefined number of unmarried women—want more control over their fertility but lack access to family planning;

Whereas this unmet demand for family planning is projected to result in 1.2 billion unintended births; and

Whereas the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development determined that political commitment and appropriate programs aimed at providing universal access to voluntary family planning information, education and services can ensure world population stabilization at 8 billion or less rather than 12 billion or more.

Now, therefore, I, Arne H. Carlson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 25-31, 1998 as World Population Awareness Week, and urge citizens of the State to take cognizance of this event and to participate appropriately in its observance.

#### A JOB WELL DONE

### HON. LANE EVANS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 7, 1998*

Mr. EVANS. Mr. Speaker, in a matter of days, Adam Sachs, an outstanding member of my Committee staff will return to Kansas City, Missouri. As Adam begins this new chapter in his life, I wish Adam, his wife, Juliana Harper-Sachs, and their two daughters, Haleigh and Maggie Harper, happiness and success in the coming years.

Adam began his government service in 1987, when he joined the staff of my congressional office. While a member of my personal staff, Adam served as my legislative assistant for national defense issues and other key issues until 1989. Adam then returned to school and received his law degree from Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1992.

Last year, after he had established a successful law career in Kansas City, I was fortunate to prevail upon Adam to return to Washington to join the Democratic staff of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. As a member of my Committee staff, Adam has

served as the Chief Counsel and Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. While Adam's tenure with the Committee has been short, his accomplishment have been significant.

Among his achievements, Adam was instrumental in the establishment of a new process by which the Department of Veterans Affairs responds to allegations of employment discrimination, including sexual harassment in the VA workplace. When inaccurate allegations were made that burials in Arlington National Cemetery were being sold in exchange for political contributions, Adam determined the facts which refuted the improprieties which had been so eagerly alleged. To ensure Arlington National Cemetery continued to be our Nation's most honored final resting place, Adam worked in a bipartisan fashion to develop legislation to maintain the integrity of burials at Arlington National Cemetery. As an indication of Adam's legislative abilities, this legislation was overwhelmingly approved by the House of Representatives.

Adam is blessed with many outstanding attributes. He has a passion for fairness and justice, an unfailing sense of good humor and a willingness to always take on one more task. Adam, those of us who have come to know you and work with you, will miss you. We wish you all the best and look forward to seeing you again in the future.

#### HONORING SUNNY YEDDIS GOLDBERG

### HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 7, 1998*

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a remarkable individual and good friend, Sunny Yeddis Goldberg.

There are few people as well named as Sunny. Active in an extraordinary number of causes, ranging from education to neighborhood beautification, from promotion of the arts to prevention of illness, Sunny brings to each challenge her unique blend of bright optimism and boundless energy.

Professionally, Sunny has devoted her life to children, earning degrees in education and acquiring an expertise in overcoming learning disabilities. As a private therapist and as an expert with the Board of Cooperative Services, Sunny has helped countless young people overcome obstacles to achieve their potential.

In Mamaroneck, New York, where Sunny lives, she is regarded as a community treasure. Indeed, one of Sunny's passions has been Larchmont-Mamaroneck Community Television, an exceptionally well-regarded local station with a rich array of programming a central place in the life of the villages it serves. Sunny has been a Board Member at LMC-TV for twelve years, including nine during which she served as President.

This month, LMC-TV will not only recognize Sunny's exceptional contribution, but will name its annual award after her. There can be no more deserving recipient of the "Sunny" than Sunny herself.

Mr. Speaker, Sunny Yeddis Goldberg is one of those individuals around whom burdens seem lighter and joys even more sweet. We are enriched by her work and inspired by her example.